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FM AMEMBASSY VIENTIANE

TO SECSTATE WASHDC 7333

INFO AMEMBASSY SAIGON

SECDEF WASHDC

AMEMBASSY BANGKOK

AMEMBASSY PHNOM PENH

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C O N F I D E N T I A L VIENTIANE 0445

E.O. 11652: GDS

TAGS: PINR, TH, LA

SUBJECT: AERIAL RECONNAISSANCE

REF: STATE 008511

1. APPRECIATE DEPARTMENT AND DOD COMMENTS (REFTEL) WHICH DO NOT APPEAR TO BE BORNE OUT BY FACTS AS WE KNOW THEM HERE. ONE CANNOT DISREGARD THAT RESPONSIBLE AND THOUGHTFUL SENIOR USAF OFFICERS WERE AUTHORIZED BY SOMEONE TO ACKNOWLEDGE US AERIAL RECONNAISSANCE ON THE RECORD AND FOR ATTRIBUTION.

2. STEPS HAVE BEEN TAKEN HERE -- INDEED WERE TAKEN BEFORE THIS EPISODE -- TO ASSURE PRIME MINISTER SOUVANNA PHOUMA UNDERSTOOD THE IMPORTANCE OF AERIAL RECONNAISSANCE TO HIM AND TO THE RLG AT THIS TIME. I DO NOT THEREFORE EXPECT ANY PROBLEM UNLESS WE CREATE ONE FOR OURSELVES.
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Message Attributes

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Decaption Note:
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